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April 23, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for family housing improvements at Unity House in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is Volunteers of America Mid-States, located at 570 S. 4th Street Louisville, Kentucky 40202. The funding would be used for capital and equipment improvements at one of the few locations in Jefferson County where families facing homelessness can stay together.

Volunteers of America's Unity House program provides outcome-oriented, best-practice care and service to families overcoming homelessness. Investments in Unity House are proven to provide long-term savings to Jefferson County and Kentucky taxpayers. Their work supports stable housing for unhoused families in crisis and the costs associated with family and housing instability. This funding will help to renovate two bathrooms, a kitchen, and cafeteria, and also purchase kitchen equipment. The Unity House keeps families facing homelessness in a safe, healthy, and supported setting, which reduces budget costs for law enforcement, EMS runs, emergency room visits, and long-term health costs. Volunteers of America has several critical needs, including a timely need for a capital improvement that are essential to the long-term stability of this program.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress Date: April 23, 2021